

The Town of Odessa
MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2008 - 7:00 PM
OLD ACADEMY BUILDING

Those present at 7:00 p.m.:

Mayor Kathy Harvey
Council Member: Bob Grove
Council Member: Betts Jackson
Council Member: John Freeman (arrived at 7:10)

Treasurer: James Grant

Secretary: Barbara Roberts

7 community members

I. Call to Order at 7:02 p.m. and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call

**MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON AND SECONDED BY BOB GROVE
NOT TO EXCUSE JEFF GLUECK & JOHN FREEMAN FROM THE
MEETING. JOHN FREEMAN ARRIVED AT 7:10 P.M.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYE, 0 NAY

Mayor Harvey thanked the police and the press for their coverage and participation for the “Halloween in the Park” festivities.

III. Delaware State Police Report – Lt. Daniels read the report, attached hereto as Attachment A.

IV. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting of Mayor & Council Meeting on 10/6/08.

**MOTION BY BOB GROVE AND SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON:
THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF
MAYOR AND COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 6, 2008 BE ACCEPTED.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 3 AYE, 0 NAY

V. Approval of Minutes from the Public Hearing on 9/22/08.

**MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY KATHY HARVEY:
TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE PUBIC HEARING ON
SEPTEMBER 22, 2008.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, NAY

- VI. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting with the Putnam Group on 10/14/08.

**MOTION BY KATHY HARVEY, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON:
TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING ON
OCTOBER 14, 2008.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

- VII. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting on 10//20/08.

**MOTION BY BOB GROVE, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON: TO
ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING ON
OCTOBER 20, 2008.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

- VIII. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting on 10/28/08.

**MOTION BY BOB GROVE, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN: TO
ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL MEETINGS ON
OCTOBER 28, 2008.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

- IX. Correspondence – None

- X. Treasurer's Report - James Grant distributed copies of the report from June to August, due to the audit and journal entries.

**MOTION BY BOB GROVE, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON: TO
ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PRESENTED.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

- XI. Commission Reports

- A. Trees – Will meet November 18, 2008
- B. Historic – No meeting this month
- C. Planning – Will meet November 20, 2008 to review vacant property ordinance.

- XII. Old Business

- A. Ordinance 2008-07: (first reading) Atlantic Broadband Franchise Agreement. Attachment C. The 2nd reading will take place at December 15th Council Meeting.
- B. Appointments – None at this time
 - i. Historic Commission
 - ii. Tree Commission

XIII. New Business

- A. Resolution 2008-10: A resolution for a photography office in the non-profit estate district. Attachment D.

MOTION BY BOB GROVE, SECONDED BY BETTS JACKSON: TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2008-10 FOR THE PHOTOGRAPHY BUSINESS IN THE OFFICE SPACE IN THE OLD BANK BUILDING.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

- B. Snow Removal Proposal for 2008 – 2009 from Millcreek Construction Inc. Attachment E. Mayor Harvey explained it has become increasingly difficult to get companies to take on snow removal on an “on call” basis and it may be necessary to add additional funding in next years budget for snow removal.

MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON, SECONDED BY BOB GROVE TO ACCEPT THE SNOW REMOVAL PROPOSAL FROM MILLCREEK CONSTRUCTION INC.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

Action: Contact Millcreek Construction to obtain the original contract for signatures.

- C. Mayor Harvey reminded Council about the December 8th vote on resolution 2008-11 to annex the 40 acres west of town. Comments by two residents on the proposed resolution were as follows:
 - i. The town could let either New Castle County or the Town of Middletown take over this project since they have the infrastructure in place to handle it.
 - ii. Would the Putnam Group be contributing financially to the town in any way, such as a community center.
 - iii. Approval of the annexation would put more registered voters in the town.Council responded that if NCC develops the land the Town of Odessa will have no control over how the land is used, and the financial benefit to the town would be the impact fees and additional taxes.

- D. Betts Jackson noted Council will need to discuss treasurer duties, this will be added to the December 15th agenda.

- E. Mayor Harvey noted the addition of 2 speed bumps on High Street and if needed, funding may be required for an additional speed bump at the library.

XIV. December 1st and January 2009 Council Meetings.

MOTION BY BOB GROVE AND SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN: TO CHANGE THE DECEMBER 1st MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO DECEMBER 15, 2008

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

AN ADDITIONAL MOTION BY BETTS JACKSON AND SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN: TO CANCEL THE JANUARY MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYE, 0 NAY

XV. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Minutes Approved:

Date

Secretary